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TOWER GROVE PARK

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WITH ILLUSTRATIONS.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

In accordance with the authority conferred by the Act creating Tower Grove Park, the Board of Commissioners have adopted the following rules and regulations:

All persons are forbidden —

1. To enter or leave the park except by the gateways.
2. To climb the fences.
3. To turn cattle, horses, goats or swine into the park or the avenues surrounding the park.
4. To carry firearms or to throw stones or other missiles within it.
5. To cut, break, or in any way injure or deface the trees, shrubs, plants, turf, or any of the buildings, fences, bridges, or other constructions upon the park;
6. Or to converse with, or in any way hinder, those engaged on the work of the park.

7. A pound is hereby established within the Tower Grove Park for the impounding of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, dogs and swine found trespassing upon said park or the adjacent avenues. All such animals found at large may be taken by any person or persons and driven or carried to the pound, and may be kept enclosed therein during five days, at the end of which time, if not previously claimed, they may be sold at public auction; provided, that, within two days after they shall have been impounded, notice of the sale shall have been conspicuously posted in the pound or vicinity.

Any person claiming property in such impounded animals before the day of sale, may recover the same, after suitable proof of his or her right thereto, upon payment for each animal of the sum of two dollars and the expenses of keeping; the expenses of keeping to be reckoned as follows:

For each horse, dog, or head of neat stock, sixty cents per day;

For each goat, swine, or sheep, twenty-five cents per day.

These charges shall be paid to the chief park keeper of Tower Grove Park, and the money thus collected shall by him be handed over within one week to the comptroller of the board.

If within one month after the sale of any impounded animals their former owner shall appear and claim the same, the treasurer shall, after deducting the full amount of the charges provided for above, pay over to him the proceeds of their sale; otherwise the amount shall be added to the funds of the board.

8. No animal shall travel on any part of the Tower Grove Park, except upon the drive or carriage road, at a rate exceeding six miles per hour. Persons on horseback shall not travel on the drive or equestrian road at a rate exceeding seven miles per hour.

9. No vehicle or riding shall be permitted on the walks, the same being devoted exclusively to pedestrians; nor shall any vehicle, horse, or burden, go

upon any part of the park except upon the "drive," and upon such places as are appropriated for carriages at rest.

10. No animal or vehicle shall be permitted to stand upon the "drive" or carriage roads of the park, or any part thereof, to the obstruction of the way or to the inconvenience of travel, nor shall any person upon the park solicit or invite passengers.

11. No hackney coach, carriage, or other vehicle for hire, shall stand upon any part of the park for the purpose of taking in any other passengers or persons than those carried to the park by said coach, carriage, or vehicle, unless invited by the persons having said vehicle.

12. No person shall expose any article or thing for sale upon the park except previously licensed by the Board of Commissioners of Tower Grove Park, nor shall any hawking or peddling be allowed on the park.

13. No omnibus or express wagon, with or without passengers, nor any cart, dray, wagon, truck, or other vehicle carrying goods, merchandise, manure, soil or other article, or solely used for the carriage of goods, merchandise, manure, or other articles, shall be allowed to enter any part of Tower Grove Park, or any vehicle carrying more than six persons.

14. No threatening, abusive, insulting or indecent language shall be allowed on the park whereby a breach of the peace may be occasioned.

15. No person shall be allowed to tell fortunes or play at any game of chance at or with any table or instrument of gaming, nor to do any obscene or indecent act whatever in Tower Grove Park.

16. Tower Grove Park shall be open daily to the public during the months of December, January and February from seven o'clock in the morning until half an hour after sunset in the evening; during the months of March, April, May, June, October, and November, from six in the morning until half an hour after sunset, and during the months of July, August, and September, from five in the morning until half an hour after sunset in the evening.

17. The comptroller or superintendent may direct that the park or any of the entrances to the park be closed at any time, and may, on special occasions, also direct that the park or any portion thereof remain open at other times than those specified.

18. No person other than employees of the Board of Commissioners of Tower Grove Park shall enter or remain in the park except when it is open as above provided.

19. No person, except in the employ of the Board of Commissioners of the Tower Grove Park, shall bring upon the Tower Grove Park any tree, shrub, plant, or flower, nor any newly plucked branch or portion of a tree, shrub, plant, or flower.

20. No person shall fire, discharge or set off in Tower Grove Park any rocket, cracker, torpedo, squib, balloon, snake, chaser, or double-header, nor any fireworks or thing under any other name composed of the same or similar material, or of the same or similar character, as the fireworks above specified, except with consent of Board of Commissioners or comptroller.

21. No person shall place or propel any invalid chairs, perambulators,

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bicycles or velocipedes upon any portion of the Tower Grove Park except upon the walks.

22. No person shall post or otherwise affix any bill or notice, in paper or paint, upon any structure or thing within the park, nor upon any of the gates or surrounding avenues.

23. No person shall without the consent of the comptroller of the park play upon any musical instrument within Tower Grove Park, nor shall any person take into or carry or display in the park any flag, banner, target, or transparency.

24. No military or target company, or civic or other procession, shall be permitted to parade, drill or perform upon the park any military or other evolutions or movements without the written consent of the comptroller.

25. No fire-engine, hook or ladder, cart, hose, truck, or other machine on wheels commonly used for the extinguishing of fire, shall be allowed on any part of Tower Grove Park without the previous consent of the comptroller of the park.

26. No funeral procession or hearse, or other vehicle or person carrying the body of a deceased person, shall be allowed on any part of Tower Grove Park.

27. No person, except in the employ of the Board of Commissioners of Tower Grove Park, shall light, make or use any fire upon the Tower Grove Park.